

AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the first paragraph on page 2, lines 3-11 of the originally-filed application, lines 3-11, with the following paragraph:

--It is well known that information obtained from various financial documents, including currency bills, as they enter and leave a financial institution, may be useful in various automated operations within the institution, if that information may be retrieved. For example, the laws of various countries require banks and other financial institutions to report to the governments of such countries any cash deposits in excess of a prescribed value, e.g., in excess of \$10,000 in the U.S. Those laws typically specify the type of information to be included in such reports, such as identification of the account to which the deposit was made, the amount of the deposit, the location of the facility where the deposit was made, ~~the serial numbers of the deposited currency,~~ and other useful information.--

Please add the following paragraph at page 7, line 1 of the originally-filed application:

--One embodiment of the system described below is capable of monitoring all deposits made at a financial institution and automatically generating the required report whenever the total value of a cash deposit exceeds the threshold value prescribed by the laws of the country in which that facility is located. The report that is automatically generated by this system includes all the information required by the applicable laws, and can also include the serial numbers and/or the complete images of the currency included in all deposits that exceed the prescribed threshold value.--